Budgeting for Biologists



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- Budgeting Basics you can use today and tips for tomorrow.
- Budgeting creates transparency and accountability.
- Why me to help you?
- Please ask questions!

Our Goals Today



- What is a Budget?
 - Budget basics
- How do we prepare a Budget?
 - Process to achieve results
- Now What?
 - Monitor, react and adjust
- Your goals, objectives, and expectations?





- Link to the comprehensive Plan
- Planning & Control tool
- Involve others
- Opportunity to think through the entire year
- Accountability and Stewardship of funds

- Refer to your own plans outcomes
- What do you want to achieve this year?
- Who has knowledge?
- New plans or projects?
- New Goals
- Effective planning and reporting gets you more \$\$





- An EXACT system
- Your bank account
- Your recordkeeping system



How to prepare a Budget

- Process & Timeline
- Gather
 Information/Data

- Choose application tool
- Set aside time

- Multiple steps
- Plan outcomes/goals
- Multiple years budget
- Multiple year actuals
- Gather people
- Excel
- Quickbooks
- Scheduled activity

How to prepare a Budget



- Start with Operations
- What costs do you know, examples?
 - Use Calculations when possible
 - Account for inflation
 - New required costs
 - Anticipate!
- Specialty areas
- Let's do it!

Now What?



- Budget approval
- Update when?
- Monitor results

React how?

Adjust or not to Adjust?

- Board of Directors
- Monthly? Quarterly?
- Who?
- What are you looking for?
- Overbudget?
- Underbudget?
- Thoughts?





- A Budget is.....
- Preparing a Budget.....
- Using a Budget.....
- What have I missed?





- Next steps?
- Questions?
- Thoughts?

Thank You!